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Washington Observations

★ There is growing concern in Congress over the fact that the National Intelligence Estimate #1138 was held up for several months, supposedly by CIA Director Stansfield Turner. Congressional sources claim that the summary section was rewritten personally by Admiral Turner to include net assessment information that impinges on the MX system. The revision is said to assume excessively high growth in the number of Soviet warheads available for attacks on MX, thus putting in doubt the wisdom of building MX in the first place. There were other members of the intelligence community who refused to sign the estimate.

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